Town of Chebeague Island  
Executive Session Regular Meeting of the Board of Selectmen  

Executive Session Wednesday, September 9, 2009 @6:30PM  
Town Office at 192 North Road  

1. Call meeting to order:  

2. To see if the Selectmen will enter Executive Session to hold a poverty abatement hearing pursuant to 36 M.R.S.A. § 841 (2) (E).  
Donna Damon, motion to enter into Executive Session @ 6:30PM.  
Mark Dyer, second.  
Vote: Unanimous.  

3. To convene the meeting and take any action on the poverty abatement at Regular Selectmen’s Meeting.  
Mark Dyer, motion to exit Executive Session @ 6:52PM and to reconvene at the Island Hall into Regular Selectmen’s Meeting.  
Chris Rich, second.  
Vote: Unanimous.  

Regular Meeting of the Board of Selectmen  
Wednesday, September 9th, @ 7:00PM  
Chebeague Island Hall & Community Center  
Call to order @ 7:05PM  

Mark Dyer motion to approve poverty abatement under the condition that the applicant turn in tax rebate from the State into the Town and balance will be taken care of.  

Donna Damon, I will vote no on this as the property is not in danger of foreclosure.  
David Hill, will the applicants name become public knowledge?  
Scott Seaver, no.  

Vote: Four (4) in favor, One (1) Opposed (Damon).  

4. Approve Previous Minutes:  

Donna Damon, motion to approve only June 30th, 2009 minutes and table the rest.  
Mark Dyer, second.  
Vote: Unanimous.  

5. Approve Warrant:  

Donna Damon, motion to approve Warrant 03-10.  
Mark Dyer, second.  
Vote: Unanimous.  

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6. Town Administrator Report:

Scott Seaver advised the following:

- Gave Treasurer Report.
- Cousins Island project: We have right of way issues, I have issued a delay order for construction. CPM the Contractor, is working with the Town. The problem should be resolved in a couple of weeks.

  David Hill motion to hold Executive Session in regard to the Cousins Island issues 9/15/09 at the Town Office @ 7PM
  Mark Dyer, second.
  Vote: Unanimous.

- Update of delay of chipping of wood dump.
- Will give PDW list of things that need to be done.
- Had discussion with Engineer on drainage issues: Capps Rd, Fenderson Rd, South Rd.
- Stone Pier out to bid for proposals for designs, will have proposals at next regular meeting.
- Had discussion with CIBY of set backs to Town road. Referred to Planning Board approval in 2007.
- Report of Town Administrator hours worked.
- Application to CWC as permit needed for work at Stone Pier and next week it will go to the Planning Board.
- Cumberland County Sheriff training postponed.

7. Public Comment:

Beth Howe, discussed the next steps for affordable housing. Dick Sweet found six (6) sites when Cumberland bought the land. Donna Damon felt that a wetland study on that property was not needed. Revenue Bonds are approved and provide flexible ways for small communities to be able to qualify. They would like to move ahead and look at properties owned by the Town (Curit property off North Road and Sharpe property off School House Road). We would like to have an engineer look at properties and conduct wetland studies. Are there any objections from the Board?

David Hill, this is to assess the appropriateness of the lots not the value? Beth, yes.

8.A
To receive a letter from Robert Konczal advising the Board of the taxable valuation, mil rate and overlay for fiscal year 2009-2010.

Herb Maine read a letter from Robert Konczal in regard to the mil rate. Mil rate is now $20.05, down .08 cents

Donna Damon, this is not the process I thought would happen.

David Hill, do we have a line item for uncollected taxes? Scott, no.

Donna Damon, we need public meeting to set the tax rate. Our goal was keeping it flat. We should have been notified that it was going down.

8.B
To see if the Selectmen will hear and accept a report from Vicki Todd regarding plans for Kid’s Place.

Leila Bisharat presented a slide show of Kid’s Place.

Vicki Todd spoke about the need of the program and the need of space. She advised they have one full time and three part time people.
8.B Continued:
Kelley Rich spoke of the immediate need of more room to provide quality care.
Donna Damon spoke of the need to keep families on the island and the need to make it more affordable.
Donna Damon asked for more information such as current and projected budget, incomes and cost to families to use Kid’s Place.
David Hill asked for a sources and use statement.

Herb Maine, this is a $65,000 one time capital award. He discussed that the Selectmen do not have the access to do this. It will have to go to Town Meeting.

8.B Continued:
Donna Damon asked where the rest of the money will come from.
Eldon Mayer advised that there will be a door to door campaign for donations.
Donna Damon stated concerns about elderly population and the economy.
Aaron Rugh stated that with no young families you will have bigger tax problems.
Donna Colbeth thanked Donna Damon for speaking up about the people on very small incomes. We are not against something like this, but we are on limited incomes.
Herb Maine, this is what I am hearing. We need the following: Enrollment analysis and operating plan.
David Hill, we need information regarding sources and use.
Donna Damon, what is the impact on Recreation Center Budget.
Herb Maine, maybe the need of a workshop would help with the Kidd’s Place group and Recreation Center.

8.C
To see if the Selectmen will set a date for a public hearing regarding an ordinance to allow certain off-road vehicles on public ways.
Aaron Rugh discussed the interest of some island residents to allow off-road vehicles on public ways. He stated that may help with parking problems and they use less gas.
David Hill, would like to see a model of an ordinance to look at.
Donna Damon, also stated she would like to see a draft of an ordinance. We need to publicize this and maybe even do a mailing.

David Hill, motion to set date for public hearing October 7th, 2009 @ 7PM at the Island Hall.
Mark Dyer, second.
Vote: Unanimous.

8.D
To see if the Selectmen will allocate funds for the unanticipated repair of the pump on Engine 9 after it failed the recent testing.

Donna Damon, motion to authorize $12,000 out of the contingency account to pay for pump and barging of Engine 9.
David Hill, second.
Vote: Unanimous.

Donna Damon asked the Board due to time constraints to take “E” & “F” out of order and move on.
All Selectmen in agreement.

8.G
To see if the Selectmen will adopt a policy regarding the public use of Town property at Chandlers Cove.

David Hill, motion to table this until revision is done and revisit at next regular meeting.
Mark Dyer, second.
Vote: Unanimous.
8.H
To see if the Selectmen will create a committee or study group to review the Coastal Waters Ordinance.
Mark Dyer, would like to see a committee with five (5) members.
Mark Dyer suggested the following: Jeff Putnam, Herb Maine, Ken Hamilton, Leon Hamilton & Claire Ross.
Herb Maine stated he just does not have the time to devote to this at this time.
Chris Rich stated that he would participate.
Herb Maine is the expectation a marked up document?
Mark, yes and it will be a daunting task.
Ken Hamilton thanked Mark for the nomination but respectfully declined.
Donna Damon, we need to be clear on what the Commission should be doing.
David Hill, motion to create a committee of five (5) to revise the Coastal Water’s Ordinance.
If two people decline we will revisit this at the next regular meeting.
Mark Dyer second.
Ken Hamilton suggested that the Selectmen look for people not in marine business and let them read the ordinance.
Herb Maine, not sure if I will vote for this. It should be done by Coastal Water’s & Shellfish. If not functioning find out why.
David Hill, we should have the people with the best history with the ordinance.
Jeff Putnam, Coastal Water’s Commission made specific requests of moving shellfish and other areas out of the ordinance. How do you want to handle this?
Herb Maine, do you think the five person committee can do?
Jeff Putnam, I think it would be unproductive, but I am willing to try.
Herb Maine stated he would send a memo of expectations.
Vote: Unanimous.

8.J
To see if the Selectmen will set a date for a special Town Meeting.
The Board of Selectmen tabled this until a later date.

8.E
To see if the Selectmen will act to fill vacancies in the Town committees, boards & commissions.
Chris Rich, motion to appoint Kevin Wentworth to the Coastal Water’s Commission.
David Hill second.
Discussion: Donna Damon said she would vote no, not because of the candidate, but because she wanted to wait until the Coastal Waters Review Committee finished its work.
Vote: Three (3) in favor with Two (2) Opposed (Damon & Dyer)

Donna Damon motion due to time of night to table items F, J & I on agenda.
David Hill second.
Vote: Unanimous.

Donna Damon motion to adjourn meeting.
David Hill second.
Vote: Unanimous
Meeting adjourned at 9:40PM
Respectfully submitted by Susan Campbell, Town Clerk.